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Minutes

Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians and Sprinklerfitters Department of Public Safety, Bldg B, 1380 Bay St., Taunton, MA 02780 November 20, 2013, 9:30 a.m.

1. Meeting called to order by the Chairman at 9:45 a.m., followed by roll call:

Board Members Present:

Henry Geryk, Chairman

Michael Torchio

Mark Fortune

Frank Norton

Leo Fahey

Brian Kelly

Dan Dumont

William Gallagher

Jennifer Revill

Board Members Not Present:

Pauline Lally

John Viola

Guests Present:

Russell Boisvert, RT Applicant

Chuck Borstel, ABC

Brett LaPlante, UA Local 51

John Annarelli

Barbara Lagergren, Gould Const.Inst.

Doug Neveu, Notch Mechanical

Kevin O'Connor, IQEP

Bill Brissette, IQEP

Manuel Chaves, Chaves HVAC

Chief John Rogers, DPS

Caroline Torrisi, DPS

Holly Bartlett, DPS

- 2. The agenda for today's meeting was reviewed by members present; a motion to accept the agenda was made by Mark Fortune, seconded by Leo Fahey; motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 3. The minutes from the last meeting on October 16, 2013, were reviewed by members present; motion to adopt these minutes into record was made by Mark Fortune, seconded by Frank Norton, motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 4. The following applications for licensure were considered by the Bureau:
 - a. Application from Guillermo Beltre Baez to sit for the Refrigeration Technician exam was considered, Mr. Beltre Baez was not present at this meeting. As the applicant was not present at this meeting, motion was once again made to table this application until the next meeting. The applicant will again be notified of the next meeting.
 - b. Application from Russell Boisvert to sit for the Refrigeration Technician exam was considered, Mr. Boisvert was present at this meeting. Mr. Boisvert answered questions posed to him by members of the Bureau regarding his education and experience. Motion to approve this application made by Frank Norton, seconded by Bill Gallagher; motion passed by unanimous vote. It was noted by

- the members of the Bureau that Mr. Boisvert should move towards applying for the refrigeration contractors license as soon as possible.
- 5. Pipefitting Grandfathering Applications: The members of the Bureau discussed the details of the draft applications for Grandfathered Journeyman Pipefitter and Grandfathered Master Pipefitter licenses. Several minor corrections/changes were agreed upon by the Bureau members. The matter of creating/updating the applicable exam question database was discussed. Chief Rogers informed the members that the Department is currently in the proess of seeking input from trade organizations such as schools on the Department's approved schools list in order to update exam questions. Once the questions have been updated, the Department will then seek input from the Bureau by way of review of the pool of questions. The draft regulation has currently been submitted to the BCCC for review, public hearing phase will follow. Holly Bartlett will e-mail the final draft of both the regulation and the grandfathering applications to the Bureau members prior to the next meeting.
- 6. Member Appointments: This subject will be re-addressed at the next meeting of the Bureau.
- 7. This meeting was adjourned at 11:15am.

The next meeting of the Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians, and Sprinklerfitters will tentatively be on Wednesday, January 15, 2014.